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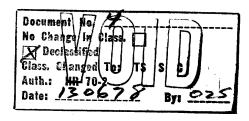
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- 1. Officers and non-commissioned officers of the Rumanian Armed Forces are presently being purged. The principal reason for the purge of individual officers is "morbid social origin". Some of the best pilots of the Rumanian Air Force have been dismissed on the ground that they were of "petit bourgeois origin". Officers who are dismissed have no retirement rights.
- 2. Approximately twenty percent of the officers and sixteen percent of the non-commissioned officers of the Armed Forces have been dismissed in the present purge.

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